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SUBJECT: ANNOUNCEMENT OF APPOINTMENT U.S. SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE FOR MARITIME NEGOTIATIONS WITH CANADA

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1. WE HAVE CHANGED DRAFT WHITE HOUSE PRESS RELEASE REF A TO TAKE ACCOUNT OF GOC REVISIONS IN REFS B, C, AND D. CHANGES INCORPORATED IN DRAFT RELEASE BEING SENT WHITE HOUSE JULY 25. WE ARE ASKING WHITE HOUSE TO INFORM US ASAP
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WHEN TEXT AND RELEASE DATE APPROVED IN ORDER FOR US TO INFORM CANADIANS SO THAT BOTH SIDES CAN MAKE SIMULTANEOUS ANNOUNCEMENTS OF APPOINTMENTS OF SENIOR NEGOTIATIONS. AS SOON AS WHITE HOUSE CLEARANCE RECEIVED, WE WILL INFORM EMBASSY.

2. FOLLOWING IS TEXT BEING SENT WHITE HOUSE:

" THE PRESIDENT ON JULY 27 APPOINTED MR. LLOYD N. CUTLER OF MARYLAND AS HIS SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE FOR MARITIME BOUNDARY AND RESOURCE NEGOTIATIONS WITH CANADA, WITH THE PERSONAL RANK OF AMBASSADOR. AMBASSADOR CUTLER, WHO IS A WASHINGTON ATTORNEY WITH A DISTINGUISHED RECORD OF PUBLIC SERVICE, WILL

CONDUCT NEGOTIATIONS WITH CANADA OVER THE COMING MONTHS IN AN EFFORT TO REACH A COMPREHENSIVE SETTLEMENT OF U.S.-CANADIAN MARITIME BOUNDARIES AND RELATED FISHERY AND HYDRO-CARBON ISSUES. AMBASSADOR CUTLER WILL DEVOTE THE TIME REQUIRED TO PERFORM HIS NEW DUTIES AS A SPECIAL GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEE WITHOUT COMPENSATION WHILE REMAINING A MEMBER OF HIS LAW FIRM.

THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA HAS NAMED AMBASSADOR MARCEL CADIEUX TO CONDUCT ITS NEGOTIATIONS. AMBASSADOR CADIEUX FORMERLY SERVED AS UNDER-SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS IN OTTAWA AND AS AMBASSADOR OF CANADA TO THE UNITED STATES. HE IS ON TEMPORARY ASSIGNMENT FROM HIS POSITION AS CANADIAN AMBASSADOR TO THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES.

THE TWO COUNTRIES ATTEMPTED TO RESOLVE THEIR MARITIME BOUNDARY AND FISHERIES ISSUES IN TALKS FROM LATE 1975 TO EARLY 1977. FAILING AGREEMENT, EARLIER THIS YEAR THEY LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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ENTERED INTO AN INTERIM RECIPROCAL FISHERIES AGREEMENT FOR 1977 TO ENABLE EACH COUNTRY TO CONTINUE FISHING IN THE 200-MILE ZONE OF THE OTHER WHILE NEGOTIATIONS FOR MORE PERMANENT ARRANGEMENTS PROCEED. THE NEW NEGOTIATIONS WILL RESUME UNDER THE DIRECTION OF AMBASSADOR CUTLER AND AMBASSADOR CADIEUX AROUND AUGUST 1.

THE TWO GOVERNMENTS HAVE AGREED THAT, WITH A VIEW TOWARD REACHING A NEGOTIATED SETTLEMENT BETWEEN THEM, THE SPECIAL NEGOTIATORS WILL BE GUIDED BY THE FOLLOWING TERMS OF REFERENCE. THE NEGOTIATORS WILL REPORT TO GOVERNMENTS BY OCTOBER 15, 1977, ON THE PRINCIPLES OF A COMPREHENSIVE SETTLEMENT ENCOMPASSING:

1. MARITIME BOUNDARIES DELIMITATION
2. COMPLEMENTARY FISHERY AND HYDROCARBON RESOURCE ARRANGEMENTS AS APPROPRIATE
3. SUCH OTHER RELATED MATTERS AS THE TWO GOVERNMENTS MAY DECIDE

THE NEGOTIATORS WILL DEVELOP THE SUBSTANCE OF AN AD REFEREN-

DUM COMPREHENSIVE SETTLEMENT FOR SUBMISSION TO GOVERN-
MENTS BY DECEMBER 1, 1977.

THE NEGOTIATORS WILL ORGANIZE AND CONDUCT THE NEGOTIATIONS
IN THE MANNER AND IN THE PLACES WHICH THEY JUDGE WILL BEST
FACILITATE A SETTLEMENT.

NEGOTIATIONS CONCERNING WEST COAST SALMON WILL BE RESUMED
SEPARATELY ON A PRIORITY BASIS. THE SPECIAL NEGOTIATORS
WILL DETERMINE THE RELATIONSHIP, IF ANY, BETWEEN THE
COURSES AND OUTCOMES OF THE TWO SETS OF NEGOTIATIONS."
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